



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of)
HATAE et al.) Art Unit 2183
Application Number: 10/080,578)
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT AND)
COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM)
Attorney Docket No. ASAM.0045)

**Honorable Assistant Commissioner
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Washington, D.C. 20231**

RESPONSE AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated September 9, 2005, in the above identified application, the period for response is set to expire on March 9, 2006, with a three-month extension fee and is being filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Please amend the application as follows:

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